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LETTERS

AT THE LIBERTY:  
“Angel and the Badman”  
October 9-13

**THE TIMES**

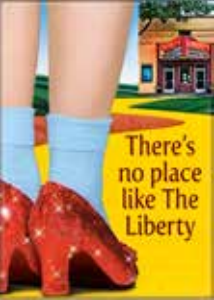
DAYTON –In the Western “Angel and the Badman”, a feared outlaw, Quirt Evans, staggers onto a ranch with a bullet in his back. He expects a quick death, not mercy; however, the rancher’s daughter offers him a chance at something he’s never had: a life beyond violence. Unfortunately, the past doesn’t forgive. A marshal is closing in, and an outlaw gang wants to burn the ranch to the ground. Quirt must decide what kind of man he’ll be when the world demands blood. Notable performances from Zachary Levi, Neal McDonough, and Tommy Lee Jones. It is rated PG-13 for violence and bloody images, suggestive material, and language. It runs 105 minutes.

This remake of the 1947 John Wayne classic blends romance, moral struggle, and western action. “Early impressions emphasize a blend of classic Western grit with modern action and emotional depth, suggesting a more character-driven remake rather than a simple retread of the 1947 original.” Some write-ups describe the film as a potential standout in a renewed wave of Westerns, noting its “bigger, flashier” approach while still focusing on themes of redemption.

Up Next: “Heart of the Beast” on Oct. 16-20. After a harrowing plane crash, Special Forces officer James Belmont (Brad Pitt) and his combat dog, Odin, find themselves stranded deep in the Alaskan wilderness. Together, they are forced into a brutal fight for survival against the elements. From acclaimed filmmaker David Ayer, “Heart of the Beast” is an intense adventure thriller that explores the unbreakable bond between a man and his best friend as they face their greatest battle yet.

The 2026 Fall Production of “The Wizard of Oz” runs from November 13 to December 5. Brenda Henderson and Assistant Director Stephanie Snyder are directing the show. Rehearsals are underway, and the team is designing and fitting costumes. Over 60 local cast and crew are participating in this production. Tickets go on sale October 19 and will be available on libertytheater.org or at the theater’s box office on Tuesdays and Fridays, 2-5 p.m.

Upcoming Movies: “Angel and the Badman” on Oct. 9-13, “Heart of the Beast” on Oct. 16-20, “Sense & Sensibility” TBD. The schedule is subject to change.



SCHRAM ENDORSEMENT

To the Editor of the “Waitsburg Times”

I am writing to wholeheartedly endorse Richard Schram for Walla Walla County Sheriff.

As President of the Walla Walla Sheriff’s Foundation for the past three years, I have come to know Richard as a highly motivated and professional individual dedicated to serving both the Sheriff’s Office and our community with excellence. Born in Spokane, Wash., and a long-time resident of Walla Walla County, he has been deeply committed to our community throughout his career.

Since joining the Sheriff’s Office in 2003, Richard has held numerous positions, emphasizing his depth of experience. From working as a corrections deputy to becoming a Chief Deputy, he has consistently demonstrated leadership and dedication. His roles have included being a SWAT team member, patrol sergeant, and coordinator of daily operations under two sheriffs. Furthermore, Richard contributes as an instructor at the Washington State Basic Marine Academy and serves on various advisory committees, underscoring his commitment to public service.

Richard’s personal connection to Walla Walla, combined with his extensive professional background, makes him the ideal candidate to lead our Sheriff’s Office. I encourage you to support Richard Schram for Sheriff, knowing he will continue to serve with dedication and integrity.

Sincerely,  
Larry Hector  
Walla Walla, Wash.

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HELP WANTED

Columbia County Public Health is accepting applications for the position of Public Health Business Manager. The Public Health Business Manager is responsible for coordinating grant efforts and performing a variety of grant, finance and budgeting functions and transactions for Columbia County. Work involves preparing, processing, analyzing, interpreting, reconciling, maintaining, and verifying the correctness of a variety of grant, finance and budgeting data. Work is performed under minimal supervision with moderate latitude in the use of initiative. Position relies on experience and exercises some independent judgement to determine the best approach by using and interpreting policies and procedures. This position is a 32 hour per week position, Monday through Thursday, which offers full-time benefits including medical, dental, vision, retirement, and earned sick and vacation time. For a complete job description visit Job Postings • Columbia County • CivicEngage For questions, please contact the Human Resources Department by phone 509-382-3930 or by email Ashley\_kilts@columbiacountywa.gov Starting Pay \$27.68-\$28.79/hour based on experience.

SUPPORT FOR TIM REEVES

I support the candidacy of Tim Reeves for the position of Walla Walla County Auditor. I encourage readers to visit Tim’s website, which lays out how his educational and professional journey uniquely qualifies him to serve us in this pivotal role.

Part of the challenge we face as a nation has resulted from a lack of civic engagement. Of particular importance to me is Tim’s commitment to help make county government accessible, transparent, and understandable to ordinary citizens.

Tim’s plan to make the Auditor’s website the repository of all budget and performance-against-budget data, including a dashboard of Key Performance Indicators, is an example of how he will fulfill this commitment.

Please join me as I cast my vote for Tim Reeves.  
Tom Elstrom  
Waitsburg, Wash.

WHY I SUPPORT SCHRAM FOR SHERIFF

When you love someone who wears a badge, you understand that their job becomes part of your family. You see the long hours, sacrifices, difficult calls, and the weight that comes home at the end of a shift. That is why Richard Schram’s leadership means so much to me.

As the wife of a deputy who serves under Richard, I have had the privilege of seeing the kind of leader he is when no one is watching. I have seen that he genuinely cares—not only about our community, but about the people who serve it.

Richard holds people accountable and is not afraid to have difficult conversations. But he also knows how to build people back up. He challenges those around him because he wants them to grow, succeed, and become better at what they do.

His more than two decades of service to Walla Walla County have given him valuable experience, but what stands out most to me is how he treats people.

As a wife, community member, and someone who deeply values those who protect and serve Walla Walla County, I am proud to support Richard Schram for Sheriff.

Beth Olson  
Walla Walla, Wash.

BIRTHDAYS

**October 8:** Mark Tabor, Adelle Ganguet, Denise Hoon, Jim Mitchell, Debbie Webber, and Gabriel Wood.

**October 9:** Clare Reese, Nancy Doering, Jennifer Baker, Jim Schulke, Lora Abbey, Randy Mudd.

**October 10:** Sereta Robinson, Brad Patton, Carolann Angell, Lyle Erikson, Christopher Carpenter, Jennifer Hilton.

**October 11:** Betty Branson, Michael Flannigan, Tracy Fine, Melody Harris, John Doty, Kim Porter.

**October 12:** Logan Dozier, Brian Krause, Pat Abel, Theo Byergo, Kelly Piersol, Michele Robert, Terry Hofer, Dodie Perry.

**October 13:** Joan Miller, Robert Smith, Becky Brown, Steve Sickles, Bertha Clayton, Earl Smith.

**October 14:** Dianne Zuger, Dana Adkins, Dorothy Bush, Jared John, Jace Zuger.

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CARDINAL SPORTS with Karen Huwe

Pirates Rob Cardinals' Homecoming

Waitsburg lost its homecoming football game against Pomeroy. 74-12. Cardinal coach Gabe Kiefel said it was rough, with his team starting strong but ultimately unable to string plays together. In the first quarter, Pomeroy started off with the ball and ran for a 70-yard touchdown on their first offensive play. Kiefel was happy with how the Cardinals responded as JJ Gleason met Uriah York on a couple of big

passes to score a touchdown. Dylan Gutierrez recovered an onside kick, and the coaches thought their team was in the game. But the Pirates ended the quarter up 35-12 and then held the Cardinals scoreless for the remainder of the game. A couple of Waitsburg's players had some notable performances. Gleason finished with eight rushes for 62 yards and completed twelve passes on twenty attempts for 221 yards and two touchdown passes. Uriah York had seven receptions for 167 yards and 58 yards returning. York and Landen Henry led the team with ten tackles each. The Cardinals take on the Dayton Bulldogs on Friday, October 9, in Waitsburg. At the game, seniors and their families will be recognized. Kickoff at 7 p.m.



Karen Huwe

(above) JJ Gleason gains yards before being pushed out of bounds in his last homecoming game for the Cardinals. (left) The Cardinal cheerleaders keep the spirit going at the high school football games. Cheerleaders at the homecoming football game on October 2nd. (l-r): Audrey Walker, Sasha Mercado, Holley Jensen, Yaneli Flores, Chloe McCaw, Victoria Whitmore, Bella Contreareas



HS VOLLEYBALL AGAINST PRESCOTT AND ST JOHN-ENDICOTT

Waitsburg High School's varsity volleyball team lost at Prescott in three sets on September 28. In the 25-15, 25-21, 25-8 loss, Jemma Anderson served 100% for the Cardinals, and Katy Allen served nine out of ten serves, including three aces. The Cardinals junior varsity team dropped their first game, then won the next two sets to win the match. Laila Long had a strong serving night with twenty-two out of twenty-five serves and ten aces in the 22-25, 25-15, 15-12 win. Madyson Potter served 10/11 with two aces, Kaitlyn Paul 8/10 with three aces, Audrey Kiefel 6/7 with an ace, and Sophia Castillo served 5/6 with one ace. On September 29, the Cardinal varsity team fell to St. John-Endicott in four sets: 13-25, 25-22, 11-25 and 21-25. Allen, Teal, Shaunna Hilton, and Olivia Kiefel led the Cardinal in serving, and Joslin Nodine had eight digs in the loss. The junior varsity team lost all three sets: 25-21, 25-18, and 15-8. Paul, Potter, and Long were top servers.



Karen Huwe

Harlee Coulston, #11, spikes against St. James-Endicott (l-r): Tanna Ray, Kaitlyn Paul, Laila Long, Sophia Castillo.



Karen Huwe

Jaylynn Gleason gets low to pass. (l-r): Rylee Cole, Haven Henry, Ava McCaw, Arya Hillman, Jaylynn Gleason.

MS VOLLEYBALL AGAINST ROGERS AND DESALES

Waitsburg Middle School volleyball team lost both matches against Rogers Adventist School on Monday, September 28, and Desales Catholic School on Wednesday, September 30. In the junior varsity game against Rogers, Dakota Creeley and Avery Springs led the team in serving in the 25-13, 25-17, 25-17 loss. Springs also had two aces. Vaida Langford and Grace Eastman played well in passing, and Eastman was named Player of the Game. The varsity team committed too many serving errors against Rogers, losing 25-19, 25-19, 25-14. Rylee Cole served well at 92% with three aces. Jaylynn Gleason had four kills and was named Player of the Game. Against Desales, the JV lost 25-15, 25-7, 25-12. In the varsity matches, Cole again had 92% serving with four aces in the 25-18, 25-19, 25-20 loss. Emma Langford led the team in passing, Adalin Acevedo had five kills, and Gleason had nine kills in the loss. Cole was named Player of the Game.

### Community Events

**MYTHICAL/MOVABLE BLUE MOUNTAIN BLUEGRASS JAM**  
Mikkelson Barn  
12241 Lower Waitsburg Rd.  
Friday, October 9, at 7 p.m.

**CHARITY BINGO WITH ODD FELLOWS LODGE #338**  
**WAITSBURG TOWN HALL**  
Join the Odd Fellows for Bingo  
Cards are 2 for \$15 to play all day. Prizes sponsored by local businesses and the Odd Fellows. Proceeds will go to local food banks.  
Saturday, October 17, 2026  
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Waitsburg Town Hall  
121 Main Waitsburg, Wash.

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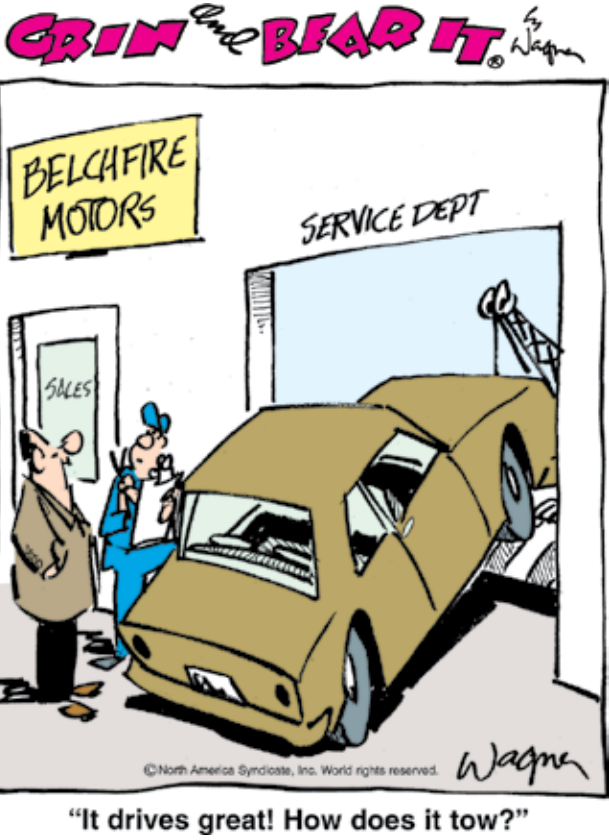
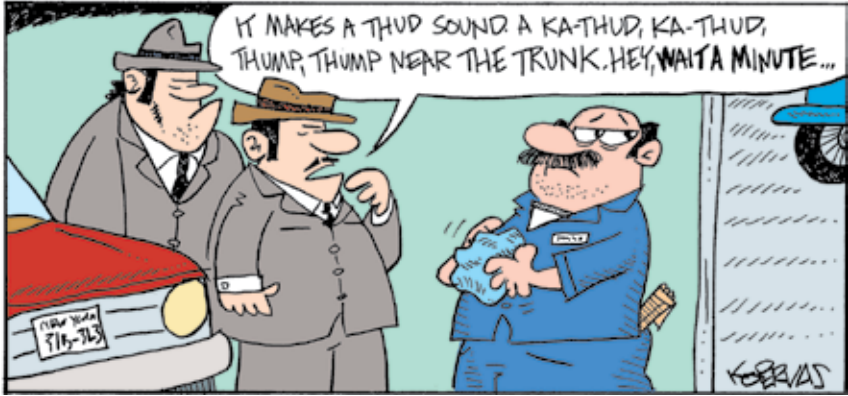
## The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



## Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



## LEGAL NOTICES

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
NO: 26-4-00188-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In re the Estate of: LARRY R. BOHLMAN, Deceased.  
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: October 1, 2026.  
Vera R. Bohlman, Personal Representative  
Attorney for Personal Representative:  
Jeremy Hyndman, WSBA #44320  
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509-529-0630  
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### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY  
CAUSE NO. 26-4-00170-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In re the Estate of: SUSAN ANN CRIPE, Deceased.  
The Co-Personal Representatives named below have been appointed as Co-Personal Representatives of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Co-Personal Representatives, or the Co-Personal Representatives' attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later

of: (1) Thirty (30) days after the Co-Personal Representatives served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice.  
If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.  
Co-Personal Representatives: John T. Cripe and Anne E. Lloyd  
Attorney for the Co-Personal Representatives: Steven C. Frol of Minnick-Hayner, PS  
Address for Mailing or Service: Minnick-Hayner P.O. Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362  
Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court  
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/s/ John T. Cripe  
Co-Personal Representative  
/s/ Anne E. Lloyd  
Co-Personal Representative  
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### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY  
NO. 26-4-00143-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In Re the Estate of: WILLIAM MCVAY, Deceased.  
The Administrator named below has been appointed as administrator of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator or the Administrator's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of:  
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Administrator: Sharean Oxley  
Attorney for the Administrator: Robert R. King, Minnick-Hayner, PS  
Address for Mailing or Service: Robert R. King Minnick-Hayner, PS PO Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362

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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
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PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In re the Estate of: JAMES JEFFREY HICKSON, also known as JAMES HICKSON, Deceased.  
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
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Personal Representative: Cindy Knowlton  
Attorney for Personal Representative: Peter J. Hess, WSBA #39721  
Hess Law Office, PLLC  
Address for Mailing or Service: 415 North Second Ave. Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 525-4744  
Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla Superior Court, Cause No. 26-4-00175-36  
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### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY  
NO. 26-4-00144-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In Re the Estate of: LARENCE L. SMITH, Deceased.  
The Administrator named below has been appointed as administrator of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator or the Administrator's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty (30) days after the Administrator served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.  
Administrator: Carol Irwin  
Attorney for the Administrator: Robert R. King Minnick-Hayner, PS  
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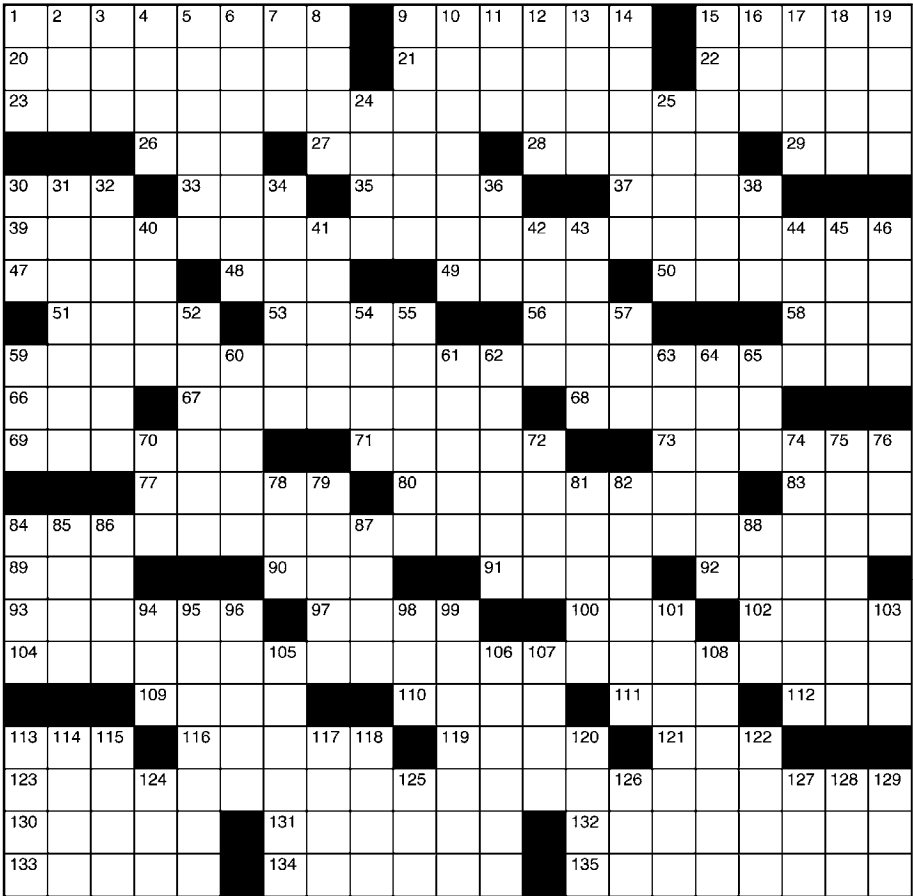
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PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword JOURNALISTIC SET

- ACROSS
- 1 Principal part of a ship's rigging
- 9 Glucose and dextrose
- 15 Want greatly
- 20 Phrase before a memoir co-author
- 21 Result of iron deficiency
- 22 Opponent
- 23 Question to someone barking orders
- 26 Wriggly fish
- 27 Extinct bird
- 28 Swerving billiards shot
- 29 Teeny
- 30 Suspenseful NFL periods
- 33 CIA worker
- 35 PC fixer, e.g.
- 37 "Hey, amigo"
- 39 Highest price customers are amenable to paying
- 47 "Less filling" Miller beer
- 48 Prefix similar to "equi-"
- 49 Vaccination fluids
- 50 Neighbor of Monterey Park, Calif.
- 51 Connections
- 53 Maximum
- 56 Rustic hotel
- 58 Lean- (simple huts)
- 59 Time to steel oneself and power through
- 66 Congregated
- 67 Goes past the time limit
- 68 Cold shoulder preventer?
- 69 A humidifier moistens it
- 71 Suddenly blazing stars
- 73 Pungent salad veggie
- 77 Lhasa (small dogs)
- 80 Official assisting a referee
- 83 "Rapa- —" (1994 Esai Morales film)
- 84 Classic Maurice Sendak book
- 89 Cabinet dept. focused on homes
- 90 "— culpa"
- 91 Wedge for filling a gap
- 92 Show fatigue reflexively
- 93 Mother on "Bewitched"
- 97 Aruba, e.g.
- 100 Steal from
- 102 Medicine bottle
- 104 Jesus' words after "My God, my God," in Matthew
- 109 "You bet!" in Baja
- 110 Favorite cereal of a "silly rabbit"
- 111 "I'm — loss for words"
- 112 Pub barrel
- 113 "La-la" lead-in
- 116 "Jay — Garage"
- 119 Best draft status
- 121 Business mag
- 123 Response upon hearing about an astonishing feat
- 130 "Aida," e.g.
- 131 Dogs from Japan
- 132 They often get mashed
- 133 Stopwatch button
- 134 Despotism ruler
- 135 They begin this puzzle's long answers
- 2 Fire residue
- 3 Figure skater Midori
- 4 Central point
- 5 Superlatively sneaky
- 6 University on Long Island
- 7 "— be an honor"
- 8 Put freight in
- 9 Less happy
- 10 Opens with a key
- 11 "Well, I'll be!"
- 12 Radio loggole letters
- 13 Actress Hayworth
- 14 Gives a quick greeting
- 15 Disney villainess
- 16 Chest bone
- 17 State boldly
- 18 Rose holder
- 19 Otherwise
- 24 — bene
- 25 "— Mio"
- 30 Hooting bird
- 31 Toward there
- 32 Feeling of fullness
- 34 Sycophantic guys
- 36 Bray syllable
- 38 Crunches tone them
- 40 High schooler, e.g.
- 41 Some rock band synth-sizers
- 42 Calc prereq
- 43 Subsides
- 44 Caesar's final reproach
- 45 Bump on —
- 46 Unduly quick feature
- 54 Shortly
- 55 Resort town near Rome
- 57 High degree
- 59 H-bomb, e.g.
- 60 "Lummox" author Fannie
- 61 'A Town Like Alice' author
- 62 Large pianos
- 63 Clingy wrap
- 64 Like a banjo's sound
- 65 On in years
- 70 Bern's river
- 72 Comic Rogen
- 74 Very shortly
- 75 "Smith" is the commonest one in the United States
- 76 Hasten
- 78 Resistance unit
- 79 Understand the point
- 81 Bake, as an egg
- 82 Brunch cocktail
- 84 "Close call!"
- 85 "Come again?"
- 86 Water swirl
- 87 Do laundry
- 88 Goalie's goal
- 94 Elle King's "Ex's & —"
- 95 Lambastes
- 96 Valuable trait
- 98 Auction unit
- 99 Former Volkswagen seven-seater
- 101 "Freedom" singer Jon
- 103 Shin's place
- 105 Soldier's steel helmet
- 106 Best in quality
- 107 Yaks, e.g.
- 108 Wichita site
- 113 Thunder god
- 114 Lasso, e.g.
- 115 Stupefies
- 117 Tasting of wood, as wine
- 118 Move a bit
- 120 Session with a dr., e.g.
- 122 — Field (Mrs. Met's home)
- 124 Deep anger
- 125 Greek vowel
- 126 "La-la" lead-in
- 127 Fight like Ali
- 128 Actor Ayres
- 129 Snaky letter



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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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PIONEER PORTRAITS

Fifteen Years Ago

October 13, 2011

It has been 25 years since Markeeta Little Wolf has belted out songs with her powerful voice to an audience. Little Wolf performed on TV, in club acts and even on the theater stage in musicals from age 12 to 28, when she gave it all up to sell real estate and have a different kind of life. Little Wolf realized about one year ago that she still has one more show in her, she said. And she's been working since on songs, lighting and costumes to give her friends in Waitsburg a piece of her she's kept quiet for so long. Little Wolf, born in New Zealand, said she was born with a song in her heart. "I came out of the womb (singing)," she said. "I came by it naturally coming from a show business family."

Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 11, 2001

Jan Zuger was recognized for her many years of service to the Waitsburg Historical Society Monday evening. The group met at the home of Anita Baker for the regular meeting and a coffee hour. Janette Lyman Zuger was one of the seven localites who organized the Historical Society in 1973. She served as recording secretary until 1997. During that time she also acted as assistant curator. Members expressed their appreciation of her work and presented her with a bouquet of roses and welcomed her as an honorary board member.

Fifty Years Ago

October 7, 1976



[Photo Caption] Jim Helm has only lived in Waitsburg for a few weeks, but he worked his way right up to the Salmon Server's table. Shows what experience can do for you, also a willingness to work. His coach, Harold Bloor, has been a faithful server for years and years.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

October 12, 1951

Larry Conover played host to seven little friends on October 5 who helped him celebrate his second birthday. Guests with their mothers were Stanley Mock, Connie Cresswell, Steve Polumsky, Linda Sue Hixon, Nickie Dunn and Terry Dunn.

The Waitsburg FFA judging team placed first at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in Portland last weekend. Members of the team were David McConnell, Ted Collins, Frank Wood and Howard Carson, alternate.

One Hundred Years Ago

October 15, 1926

Dorrel Jones is carrying his left arm in a sling as the result of a bullet wound in his left hand. He was handling a 22-caliber revolver at the L. E. Mock home last Saturday morning when he accidentally discharged the weapon, the bullet going thru the hand into the milk house door.

John Segreaves, well-known farmer of Jasper Mountain, is now harvesting his potatoes and turnips. John has about 100 sacks of non-irrigated turnips this year and 5 acres of Million Dollar variety of potatoes.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 18, 1901

D. H. Erwin of Prescott and J. N. McCaw of Touchet, on Thursday of this week, purchased 14 head of Jersey cows from William Reser who resides a few miles from Walla Walla near the Stateline.

A. W. Philips of Coppei now has his prune crop about taken care of. Mr. Philips has a large modern fruit evaporator on his place and has already evaporated about 75 tons of the green fruit. He will also take care of some 10 tons of his neighbor's prunes.

Robert Leid Jr., son of R. W. Leid of this city, was quite severely bitten by a dog belonging to Lewis Neace on Wednesday, but is said to be getting along nicely.

Super Crossword

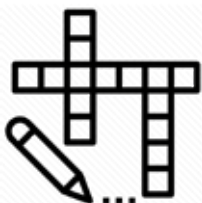
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Community Calendar

WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS

**Waitsburg City Council**  
Third Wednesday of each month @ 7 p.m. at City Hall.

**Planning Commission**  
Second Friday of the month @ 10 a.m. @ City Hall and on Zoom.

**Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting**  
First Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. @ Waitsburg City Hall  
Info email: info@waitsburgparks.org

 **Waitsburg School Board**  
Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. Zoom info is available at [Waiatburgsd.org](https://waitsburgsd.org) by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

**Waitsburg Home and School Association**  
First Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. All welcome.

**Waitsburg Historical Society**  
Third Thursday of the month @ 6 p.m. @ Weller Public Library

**Waitsburg Booster Club**  
First Tuesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. High School Home Ec. room

**Weller Public Library Board of Trustees**  
Second Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main St.

**Friends of the Weller Public Library**  
Second Tuesday of the month, @ 7:15 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main St.

**Waitsburg Commercial Club**  
Quarterly meetings, second Tuesday of January, April, July, and October. At noon. Zoom info is available by emailing waitsburg-cc@icloud.com.

**Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank**  
Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m. Food Donations @ 106 ½ Preston Ave

**Waitsburg Christian Church**  
Drop-off and pick-up Clothing Donation Center upstairs at 604 Main Street.



DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS

**Board of Columbia County Commissioners**  
Regular meetings - First and third Monday of the month @ 9 a.m. Work sessions - Second and fourth Monday of each month @ 9 a.m. Call-in info at [www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners](http://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners)

**Dayton City Council**  
Second Tuesday of the month @ 6 p.m. Call-in information available at: <https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-hall/city-council>

**Dayton School Board**  
First and third Wednesday of the month @ 6 p.m. @ Dayton High School auditorium

 **DHS Alumni Meeting**  
Every Third Thursday @ 6:30 p.m. @ Dayton High School Library

**The Coalition for Youth and Families**  
Second Tuesday of the month @ noon @ The Port of Columbia - 1 Port Way, Dayton, Wash.

**Columbia County Public Hospital Dist. Board of Commissioners**  
Fourth Wednesday of the month @ 9 a.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.

**Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting**  
Third Monday of the month @ 7 p.m. Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

**Columbia County Parks and Recreation Pool District**  
Regular Board Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month, 5 p.m. @ Columbia County Fire District Conference Room.

**Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting**  
Second and fourth Thursday @ Noon Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delany Library with online Zoom available.



**PRESCOTT MEETINGS**  
**Prescott Joint Park & Rec District (PJPRD)** Monthly meetings for 2026 are 2nd Thursday of each month, @ 6:30 p.m.  
**Prescott School District Board of Directors Meeting** 4th Thursday of each month, @ 6 p.m. @ Prescott School Multi-Purpose, room 401, and on Zoom, Meeting ID: 846 7687 9995

**STARBUCK MEETINGS**  
Starbuck City Council  
2nd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at Starbuck City Hall.

Lunches

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504 Main Street  
11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
**Tuesday, October 13**  
Lasagna  
Garlic Bread  
MOW: Vegetables  
Coleslaw  
Fruit  
In House: Salad Bar

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Oct. 8 Breakfast**  
Pancake & Eggs  
**Lunch**  
Chicken Alfredo  
Broccoli  
Fruit Choice  
**Oct. 9 Breakfast**  
Biscuit, Sausage, String Cheese

**Lunch**  
Turkey Sandwich  
Chips , Celery  
Fruit Choice  
**Oct. 12 Breakfast**  
Breakfast Scramble  
**Lunch**  
Pizza  
House Salad  
Fruit Choice  
**Oct. 13 Breakfast**  
Biscuits & Gravy

**Lunch**  
Beef Taco Soup  
Cheese Quesadilla  
Celery,  
Fruit Choice  
**Oct. 14 Breakfast**  
Round & Eggs  
**Lunch**  
Chicken Sandwich  
French Fries  
Fruit Choice



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382-2311  
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**Waitsburg Presbyterian Church**  
504 Main  
Sunday School 8:45 a.m.  
Worship 10 a.m.  
337-6589  
Pastor Heidi Lum  
**Waitsburg Christian Church**  
604 Main St  
Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Each Sunday 337-8898  
Pastor Cameron Hedges  
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320 W. 2nd  
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